नियमों के उल्लंघन के लिए 2000/–रु० तक के जुर्माने की व्यवस्था है।

(घ) से (च) मध्य प्रदेश में बीड़ी कर्मकारों को चिकित्सा, आवास, शैक्षिक, मनोरंजन और परिवार कल्याण सुविधाएं प्रदान करने के लिए वर्ष 1987–88 में 53.02 लाख रुपये की राशि खर्च की गई थी। वर्ष 1988–89 के लिए, इस प्रयोजनार्थ 84.87 लाख रु० की व्यवस्था की गई है। राज्य के बजट को राज्य सलाहकार समिति के परामर्श से अंतिम रूप दिया जाता है जिसे अधिनियम और उसके अधीन बनाए गए नियमों के उपबंधों के अनुसार गठित किया गया है जिसके अध्यक्ष श्रम राज्य मंत्री हैं। संबंधित राज्य सरकारों द्वारा बीड़ी और सिगार (नियोजन की शर्तें) अधिनियम, 1966 के उपबंधों के तेज प्रवर्तन द्वारा मजदूरी की अदायगी आदि के मामले में कर्मकारों के शोषण को कम किया जा सकता है।

AIR Broadcast Service for USA and Canada

2799. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA; Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(;i) whether it is a fact that a large Indian community lives in USA and Canada;

(b) whether Government propose to start AIR Broadcast service to these two countries; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Owing to limited hardware capabilities and the imperative need to make optimum utilisation of the existing transmitters for services which are accorded higher priority, there is no proposal to start All India Radio Broadcast Service to these two countries. However, All India Radio is sending canned programmes to the ethnic stations and some broadcasting organisations of USA and Canada, especially for the benefit of the Indian community there.

Entry of Foreign Soft Drink Manufacturers

2800. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD PRO* CESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any foreign soft drink making Companies have sought permission of Government to enter Indian market in collaboration with Indian companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the Government's response thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI JAGADISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

Produce-linked loan Scheme

2801. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the new produce-linked loan scheme formulated by Government; and

(b) the district in Uttar Pradesh where it is likely to be launched?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Details of the Produce (Marketing)

loans scheme being introduced from December, 1988 are given in the statement. *(See* below)

(b) Sultanpur District of Uttar Pradesh is one of the districts in the country where the scheme is being introduced on a pilot basis.

Statement

The salient features of the scheme are indicated below:

(i) *Crops to be covered*

Paddy, wheat, Groundnut, rapeseed/ mustard, Bengal gram (Chana) and Arhar/Tur.

(ii) *Eligibility for loan*

The loan will be available only to those farmers who have availed, themselves of crop loans from! the commercial banks and Agricultural Credit Societies for raising the concerned crop in that season, which should not be overdue for repayment.

(iii) *Loan Limit*

The quantum of loan would be twice the amount of crop loan taken by the fanner or 75 per cent of the value of the produce (charged) at Government announced procurement prices, whichever is less, subject to a maximum of Rs. 10,000/- per individual.

(iv) *Repayment period*

The loan shall be repaid within a maximum period of six months from the date of its disbursement

"(v) *Rate of Interest*

The rate of interest should be the same as applicable to crop loans issued from time to time.

(vi) *Security*

The loan will be secured by hypothecation of the produce stored with the cultivator or by the pledge of warehouse receipt/rural godown re-

j ceipt where the produce is stored by him.

Damage to Cotton due to Heliothis and White Fly Pests

2802. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA; Will the Minister of AGRICUL-TURE be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government are aware that Heliothis and white fly pests, which affect cotton crops, have developed resistance to pesticides as a result of which cotton crop worth millions have been destroyed;

(b) if so the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to check this menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRl HARI KRISHNA SHASTRI): (a) Yes, Sir. The development of insecticide resistance has been observed in Heliothis there is no evidence so far of resistance in white fly pest, infesting cotton.

(b) The resistance to Cypermethrin (a synthetic Pyrethroids) was noticed up to 164 and 300 folds in the Heliothis larvae collected from cotton fields in Guntur (Andhra Pradesh) and Juzurru (Near Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh), respectively. The population collected from chickpea and pigeonDea fields from both the places was, however, not found to be resistant. Heliothis population collected from chickpea field from Karnal also showed low degree of resistance to Cypermethrin. White Ay is a common pest of cotton, but no insecticide resistance has yet been reported in this insect.

(c)' Integrated pest control measures have been developed which include the use of less susceptible cotton varieties, crop sanitation, use of biological agents, proper cultural practices, and only the need based use of